



CAFI Executive Board Decision

No cost extension of “Assessment of deforestation and forest degradation and related direct drivers using SEPAL” project

Adopted by email on 04.06.2024

EB.2024.16

Considering

- Decision [EB.2020.07](#) that approved, on 23 June 2020, the project number 00123542 titled “Assessment of deforestation and forest degradation and related direct drivers” with a total budget of USD 1.2 million for implementation by FAO;
- Decision [EB.2022.01](#) that approved, on 10 January 2022, a no-cost extension of the project until 31 August 2022;
- Decision [EB.2022.25](#) that approved, on 4 November 2022, an extension of FAO regional trends and drivers study, until 31 October 2023, with an additional budget allocation of USD 1 242 000, to cover activities until the end of the project
- Decision [EB 2023.28](#) that approved, on 2 November 2023, a no-cost extension until 31 July 2024
- Decision [EB 2024.13](#) on reporting requirements, and the timely submission and compliance of this project annual and semestrial reports and financial reporting.

The CAFI Executive Board

1. Thanks the Food and Agriculture Organization for the no-cost extension message received on 15 May along with the updated budget and workplan.
2. Agrees to the no-cost extension of the project until 30 March 2025.
3. Recalls that, while respecting its rules and regulations, the executing agency undertakes to apply zero tolerance towards fraud, corruption, sexual exploitation and abuse; to protect whistleblowers; to inform the public; to promote gender equality and social inclusion; and to use appropriate

complaint mechanisms. In addition, the FAO commits to carefully managing all other contextual and programmatic risks identified by the Board and should act proactively in reporting these risks to CAFI's Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office, in accordance with the Terms of Reference of CAFI's Trust Fund.

4. Reminds FAO of its reporting obligations under the current CAFI Operations Manual, in terms of both narrative and financial reports.